

New Hampshire Ambulance Association

May 18, 2006

Members present: Patrick Twomey, President
Beverly Hurd, Treasurer
Lynn Clogston, Secretary
Dave Dubey, Legislative Liaison
George Reynolds, Twin Rivers
Pam Fowler, MVEMS

Guests Present: Eric Perry, Division of FST & EMS
Denis Parker, Lobbyist

1. The meeting was called to order by Patrick Twomey.
2. **Review of minutes:** March minutes were reviewed and approved.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Current balance: \$6859.25. 31 members have paid dues; 12 groups remain outstanding.
4. **EMS/Medical Control/Bureau Report:**

Dave Dubey reported that the Protocol Committee is looking at endotracheal intubation by EMT-I's and is considering the elimination of this intervention at the Intermediate level.

Interim rule changes will be posted on the EMS Bureau website and mailed to EMS units within the next few days. Public hearings will be scheduled. Changes include the addition of ALS equipment for ALS ambulances; this equipment will be included in future inspections.

The Protocol Committee is also considering a protocol for firefighter rehab.

Some ambulance services have experienced problems resulting from going through EZ Pass Tollbooths without stopping during emergency runs. The EMS Buseaus is working on this problem.

The Best Practices meeting scheduled for April 12 was postponed. Alternate dates are being considered.

5. **New Members:** Access EMS in Concord is the only new member.

6. **Other Business:** There was extensive discussion about how to encourage more member participation in meetings, what issues are of concern to the different types of services in the state, and how the Association can provide more effective representation for our members. Eric spoke about the difficulties that some service leaders may find in fitting in meeting attendance with all their other obligations. Denis suggested that some sort of retreat or special session might be good to help the organization refocus its efforts.
7. Next meeting will be held on July 20th, 2006, at Kalliope's in Tilton.
8. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn Clogston
Secretary